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The request for an oral hearing filed November 1, 2002 has been entered.

The examiner requests the opportunity to present arguments at the oral hearing.

The reply brief filed November 1, 2002 has been entered and considered. The application has been forwarded to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences for decision on the appeal.

Any inquiry concerning this Office action should be directed to Leonard R. Leo whose telephone number is (703) 308-2611.

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